

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...with this language, when you refer to immediate financial gain, we are making it a matter of public record that I could not vote, for example, to increase my wife's salary, if by the grace of God she should ever have a job with the state, but that I could vote for my own retirement program or I could vote for anything that might take place. I could vote for the reestablishment of video lotteries because whether or not I was ever able to get into that business again would depend upon a variety of factors and my 48 colleagues would have the same opportunity to be reestablished. So I think that you have a situation which needs to be debated, needs to be addressed, but I don't believe, Senator Johnson, that the language you have here addresses the issue. More appropriate would be language which would reinforce the disclosure, the accountability, the identification of each individual conflict and as I look back sometimes, I wonder over the years...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Time.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...how many of those bills that I voted on that did result in benefit to me that might have been considered to be just strictly for my own personal good. I think it's something we need to discuss very thoroughly and not act hastily, I would suggest that we not...we might even want to pass over this bill and see if it doesn't deserve some additional attention.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Conway.

SENATOR CONWAY: I call the question, please.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? I should remind you we're on Final Reading. You should be in your seats. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 5 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Debate has ceased. Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the